

Minutes of the Regular Work Session of the
Board of Mayor and Aldermen, City of Kingsport, Tennessee
Monday, April 16, 2012, 4:30 PM
Council Room – City Hall

PRESENT: Board of Mayor and Aldermen

Mayor Dennis Phillips

Alderman John Clark

Alderman Valerie Joh

Alderman Mike McIntire

Vice-Mayor Tom C. Parham

Alderman Tom Segelhorst

Alderman Jantry Shupe

(arrived at 5:15 p.m.)

City Administration

John G. Campbell, City Manager

J. Michael Billingsley, City Attorney

James H. Demming, City Recorder

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** 4:30 p.m. by Mayor Phillips.
2. **ROLL CALL:** By Deputy City Recorder Marshall.
3. **WORK SESSION TICKLER.** City Manager Campbell provided an update on the winery for Alderman Segelhorst. Mayor Phillips asked for an updated report on the animal shelter be presented at the next work session. Assistant to the City Manager Chris McCartt discussed the progress being made at the Farmers' Market.
4. **AQUATIC CENTER UPDATE.** Mr. Frank Brewer stated this project is making good progress as the site work is near completion. He noted that, because it was doing so well, they were also able to add two elements back into the project that needed approval from the Board. Assistant to the City Manager Chris McCartt provided further details on the cost savings to date. Item VI.D.10 was discussed at this time. Mr. Brewer confirmed for the Mayor they could be back before the Board to add other elements if the savings continue.
5. **KINGSPORT CITY SCHOOLS UPDATE.** Dr. Lyle Ailshie, the new Superintendent of Kingsport City Schools introduced himself and gave an update on the school system. He stated his goal is to be student focused with a global vision.
6. **DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PRESENTATION.** Alderman McIntire provided information on this item by giving a background of this process thus far and further recommending a plan of action for all new hires after July 1st to the Board. He stated the advantage to this type of plan is that the City controls the cost, noting they looked at ten other peer cities in Tennessee. Mr. McIntire discussed the options of a mandatory amount going into a 401(a) defined contribution plan and being supplemented by a voluntary 457(b) deferred compensation plan. He gave details on the plan criteria and the benefits to the employees. Alderman Segelhorst commented this plan was better than what private industry provided, although educating the employees would be critical. Mr. McIntire further noted an added benefit is the City can change this plan if necessary. Some discussion followed.

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7. REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS ON THE APRIL 17, 2012 REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA. City Manager Campbell, members of staff and community members provided a summary or presentation for each item on the proposed agenda. Those items the Board discussed at greater length or which received specific questions or concerns included:

VI.AA.1 Public Hearing for Annexation Annual Plan of Services Report (AF: 95-2012). City Planner Forrest Koder provided information on this item and answered questions from Board members.

VI.AA.3 Public Hearing and Consideration of an Ordinance to Rezone Ridgefields Golf Course and Surrounding Area to a Golf Course Community Zoning District (AF: 101-2012). City Planner Karen Combs provided information on this item, noting this was the final step for a permanent fix for the golf course to allow the sale of alcohol.

VI.D.2 Consideration of a Resolution to Authorize the Mayor to Sign All Documents Necessary to Apply and Receive the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) Through the U.S. Fire Administration of the Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA) Division of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) (AF: 102-2012). City Manager Campbell provided details on this item, noting this was a grant to receive one thousand smoke detectors. Assistant Fire Chief Scott Boyd informed the Board that, unlike in the past, citizens would be required to fill out a form to receive a smoke detector to insure it stayed in the city. He further stated they would be doing a follow up.

VI.D.4 Consideration of a Resolution to Authorize the Rejection of All Bids Submitted for the 2012 Street Resurfacing – Contract 1 (Lincoln Street and Cooks Valley Road) and Contract 2 (Granby Road, Lewis Lane, and University Boulevard) (AF: 103-2012). Public Works Director Ryan McReynolds stated that only one bid was received and it was much higher than anticipated. He further explained this repaving was for the MPO (Metropolitan Planning Organization) and not for the city. He noted they were seeking to obtain at least two bids and the City would go ahead and repair Cooks Valley.

VI.D.8 Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute All Necessary and Proper Documents to Update the Agreement for Services for the Diabetes Management Program (AF: 99-2012). City Manager Campbell gave details on this item, noting this was a key component of the health program. Health Benefits Administrator Lesley Christian provided further information. Mayor Phillips requested this program be bid out again before renewing with Wilson Pharmacy. After further discussion this item was pulled from tomorrow's agenda.

VI.D.9 Consideration of a Resolution to Authorize the Mayor to Sign All Documents Necessary to Receive a Property Donation from the Greater Kingsport YMCA Located Adjacent to a Section of the Greenbelt on the Buffalo Grasslands Section (AF: 105-2012). City Manager Campbell stated the acquisition of this property would be beneficial to the storm water program. Vice-Mayor Parham noted that over forty percent of the greenbelt property had been donated.

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VI.D.10 Consideration of a Resolution to Amend the Guaranteed Maximum Price Manual for the Kingsport Aquatic Center and to Authorize the Mayor to Sign All Documents Necessary (AF: 111-2012). This item was discussed during the Aquatic Center update.

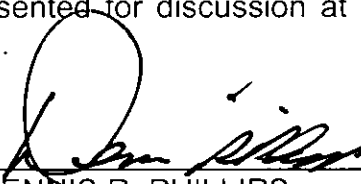
VI.D.12 Consideration of a Resolution Approving a Tri-Party Agreement and Subordination Agreement, If Necessary, and Authorizing the Mayor to Execute the Same (AF: 110-2012). City Attorney Billingsley provided information on this item and answered questions from the Board. Some discussion followed.

BOARD COMMENT. Vice-Mayor Parham mentioned the state legislature would be voting on the synthetic drug issue tonight and the governor will be making a decision on this issue within twenty-four hours.

PUBLIC COMMENT. None.

8. ADJOURN. Seeing no other matters presented for discussion at this work session, Mayor Phillips adjourned the meeting at 6:00 p.m.


ANGELA MARSHALL
Deputy City Recorder


DENNIS R. PHILLIPS
Mayor